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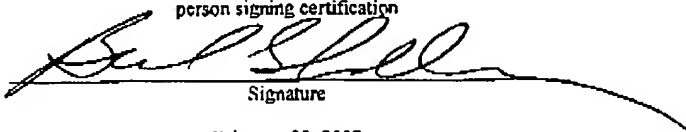
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**CENTRAL FAX CENTER****FEB 23 2007****PATENT**  
**450100-04943****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Haruo YOSHIDA et al. Notice of Allowance  
Dated: 01/10/2007  
Serial No. : 10/786,849 CONFIRMATION NO. 2945  
For : RECORDING APPARATUS, FILE MANAGEMENT METHOD,  
PROGRAM FOR FILE MANAGEMENT METHOD, AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING PROGRAM FOR FILE  
MANAGEMENT METHOD RECORDED THEREON  
Filed : February 25, 2004  
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**RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, which  
accompanied the Notice of Allowance mailed January 10, 2007. To the extent the Examiner's  
Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are

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allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner believes the claims should be interpreted to include one or more features or limitations not recited therein, Applicants' attorney disagrees with such an interpretation. Moreover, it is Applicants' contention that there is no particular limitation in the allowed claims that is more critical than any other. The issuance of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as a surrender by Applicants of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicants, by their attorney, to construe the allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the instant application and all equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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